

Monday, March 6

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1853:** The first ever performance of Verdi's opera *La Traviata* took place in Venice

1475: Italian Renaissance painter, sculptor and architect Michelangelo Buonarotti was born

1834: The Canadian city of Toronto was incorporated

1899: Felix Hoffmann patented the headache relief drug *Aspirin*

1953: Georgy Malenkov succeeded Stalin as leader of the Soviet Union

2005: The ruling Communist Party in Moldova, Europe's last remaining Communist state, retained control in parliamentary elections
